



BOROUGH OF CLIFTON DARTMOUTH HARDNESS.

ANNUAL REPORT

ON THE HEALTH OF THE DISTRICT

FOR THE YEAR 1970.

REPORT PRESENTED BY

THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH AND PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR.



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REPORT OF CLIFTON DARTMOUTH HARDNESS  
REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH  
FOR THE YEAR 1970.

p r e f a c e

Mr. Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I present herewith my Report on the health of the District during 1970. Included in the Report is the Report of your Public Health Inspector.

Statistics.

There were 65 births during the year giving a Standardised Rate of 10.3 per thousand population. This is considerably below the National Average Rate of 13.0 per thousand, and is also less than in 1969 (12.0 per thousand). There were 38 deaths giving a Standardised Rate of 10.8 per thousand population as against a National Rate of 11.7 per thousand. There were no infant deaths. Cancer caused 25% of the deaths, diseases of the heart and circulation 58% of deaths (an increase of 9% over last year) and Respiratory diseases, including five deaths from influenza, caused 10% of deaths.

Infectious Diseases.

Very few infections were notified. There was only one case of Infective Jaundice.

In January the Southampton Port Health Authority sent notification of a man living at Dartmouth who had been aboard the ship CANBERRA when it called in at FREETOWN in Sierra Leone, West Africa. The vessel came from an area where Smallpox was said to be endemic and the passenger concerned did not hold a valid certificate of vaccination against Smallpox. He was kept under observation for 14 days and remained in good health.

Environmental Health.

During the year a Flood relief scheme to combat flooding in Victoria Road was completed and brought into operation. Work was continued with plans for the main sewerage and sewage disposal scheme.

No action was necessary for the compulsory removal of persons in need of care and attention under Section 47 of the National Assistance Act, 1948, and no persons were buried in accordance with Section 50 of the same Act.

John Wildman.

Medical Officer of Health.

July, 1971.

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PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

The Committee comprised all the Members of the Council with  
Councillor Miss I.E.F.Scawn as Chairman.

S E C T I O N   A.

VITAL STATISTICS AND GENERAL STATISTICS 1970.

(Table 1)

(Figures for 1969 are shown in brackets)

POPULATION.

Estimated mid-Year population.

7,130 (7,190)

Natural increase or decrease	...	...	...	-23 (- 1)
Migration in or out	...	...	...	-37 (+31)
Total increase or decrease	...	...	...	-60 (+30)

GENERAL STATISTICS:

Area in Acres ... .. 1,925

Number of Inhabited Houses according to Rate Books (31st March).

2,718 (2,782)

Number of Houses per acre	...	...	...	1.412 (1.445)
Number of persons per acre	...	...	...	3.713 (3.736)
Number of Persons per house	...	...	...	2.629 (2.584)

Rateable Value of District.

£233,856 (£229,383)

Sum Represented by a Penny Rate.

£.  
£912 (£889)



VITAL STATISTICS AND GENERAL STATISTICS 1970.

(Table 2)

(Figures for 1969 are shown in brackets)

BIRTHS:

Standardised Live Birth Rate per 1,000 population 10.3 (12.0)

Area Comparability Factor for Births ... 1.13 (1.13)

<u>Number of Live Births</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Total</u>	32	33	65
Legitimate	32	31	63
Illegitimate	0	2	2
<u>Number of Still Births</u>	0	2	2

DEATHS:

Standardised Death Rate per 1,000 population. 10.8 (9.5)

Area Comparability Factor for Deaths ... 0.88 (0.89)

<u>Number of Deaths.</u>	<u>Male</u>	<u>Female</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>All ages - Total</u>	49	39	88
<u>Deaths of Infants under 1 yr.</u>	0	0	0
Number under 4 weeks of age	0	0	0
Number under 1 week of age	00	0	0

Infantile Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live Births 0.0 (0.0)

COMPARISON WITH RATES FOR ENGLAND AND WALES.

BIRTH RATE: 16.0 (16.3)

DEATH RATE: 11.7 (11.9)

Infantile Mortality Rate: 18.0 (18.0)

PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES: Cases Notified during 1970.

(Table 1)

<u>DISEASE</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Age Group in Years</u>					
		<u>Under</u> 1	1-	5-	15-	25-	<u>Over</u> 65
Measles	8	0	4	4	0	0	0
Whooping Cough	3	0	0	3	0	0	0
Ophthalmia							
Neonatorum	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Infective Jaundice	1	0	0	0	0	1	0
Tuberculosis (Lungs)	2	0	1	0	0	0	1
Tuberculosis (non-pulmonary)	1	0	0	0	0	1	0

(Table 2)

<u>Incidence by Quarters</u>					
<u>DISEASE</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>1st</u>	<u>2nd</u>	<u>3rd</u>	<u>4th</u>
Measles	8	0	1	6	1
Whooping Cough	3	0	1	0	2
Ophthalmia					
Neonatorum	1	0	1	0	0
Infective Jaundice	1	0	1	0	0
Tuberculosis(lungs)	2	0	1	1	0
Tuberculosis					
(non-pulmonary)	1	0	0	1	0

INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATES OF VACCINATION.

In accordance with the requirements of the World Health Regulations Certificates of Smallpox and Cholera vaccinations in respect of persons travelling abroad were authenticated by the Public Health Department.

# CAUSES OF DEATH DURING 1970

								<u>M</u>	<u>F</u>
B19(2) Malignant neoplasm, oesophagus...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	1
B19(3) Malignant neoplasm, stomach	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	1
B19(4) Malignant neoplasm, intestine	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	2
B19(6) Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	0
B19(7) Malignant neoplasm, breast	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	2
B19(8) Malignant neoplasm, uterus	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	-	1
B19(11) Other malignant neoplasms	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	1
B46(5) Other diseases of nervous system.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	0
B26 Chronic rheumatic heart disease	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	1
B27 Hypertensive disease	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	2
B28 Ischaemic heart disease	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18	11
B29 Other forms of heart disease	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	5
B30 Cerebrovascular disease	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7	8
B31 Influenza...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	2
B32 Pneumonia...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1
B33(1) Bronchitis and emphysema...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	0
B46(8) Other diseases of digestive system	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	1
B39 Hyperplasia of prostate	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	-
B45 Symptoms and ill defined conditions	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	0
TOTAL ALL CAUSES	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	49	39



## SECTION B.

### GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR DARTMOUTH

#### LABORATORY SERVICE.

Laboratory facilities are provided by the Public Health Laboratory Service at Exeter and Plymouth.

In emergency, certain (medical) specimens can be examined at the Laboratory of the Torbay Hospital, Torquay.

#### COUNTY COUNCIL HEALTH SERVICES.

The following are some of the County Council Services under the National Health Service Act, 1946, available at Dartmouth. Full details can be obtained from the County Medical Officer, Health Department, County Hall, Exeter.

#### Ambulance Service.

The ambulance service at Dartmouth, now radio controlled from Torquay, is operated by the St. John Ambulance Brigade, under an agency agreement with the Devon County Council. (Telephone: Torquay 39345). Except in emergency, an ambulance should be ordered by a medical practitioner.

#### Midwifery, Home Nursing, Health Visiting and Welfare Centres.

Domiciliary Midwives and District Nurses are available (Telephone: Dartmouth 2247) also a Health Visitor (Telephone: Dartmouth 2845). The main welfare centre is at 1, Mayor's Avenue, (Telephone: Dartmouth 2845), and another at Townstal.

#### VACCINATIONS, Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Tetanus & Poliomyelitis Immunisation.

A Medical Officer at the Welfare Centres will vaccinate or immunise babies at the request of parents. Family Doctors will also provide this prophylaxis free of charge.

#### Home and Domestic Help Service.

During 1970 the Local Organiser was Mrs. Lee. Following re-organisation under the Social Services Act, the Devon County Council now runs the Service. Applications should be addressed to Mrs. B. Clarke, Home Help Organiser, Family Welfare Centre, Pomeroy House, Bridgetown, Totnes. Telephone: Totnes 3665

A charge may be made for this service, in accordance with the County Council assessment scale.

#### Mental Health.

Arrangements for mental treatment on the recommendation of a Medical Practitioner are made by the Senior Social Worker, Family Welfare Centre, Pomeroy House, Bridgetown, Totnes (Telephone: Totnes 3665).

Help in respect of mentally subnormal persons can be obtained by application to the County Medical Officer.

#### Chiropody Service.

A County Council Chiropodist operates a foot clinic at the Welfare Centre, 1, Mayor's Avenue (Telephone: 2845). Treatment is available for handicapped persons, the elderly and any expectant mothers who might be in need of chiropody. Most cases are referred to the clinic by the family doctor, but there is provision for health visitors, district nurses, and voluntary agencies to refer cases to the County Medical Officer.

Sessions are held every Monday and Tuesday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

#### HOSPITAL SERVICES.

The Dartmouth and Kingswear Hospital (23 beds) is administered by the Torquay Hospital Management Committee. Patients from Dartmouth also attend the Torbay Hospital, Torquay, which is the principal general hospital for the area. Chronic sick can receive treatment at Broomborough Hospital, Totnes, and at Newton Abbot Hospital.

All the above beds are managed by the Torquay Hospital Management Committee within the South-Western Regional Hospital Board.

#### GENERAL PRACTITIONER MEDICAL AND DENTAL SERVICES.

There are 4 General Medical Practitioners and 2 Dentists at Dartmouth. There is also a school dental clinic at the Welfare Clinic, 1, Mayor's Avenue, Dartmouth.

#### OTHER SERVICES.

A rest room for elderly people functions at Market Street. It is comfortably furnished and light refreshments may be obtained. Meals-on-wheels are distributed by W.R.V.S. volunteers and delivered twice weekly.

A Family Planning Clinic is held at the main Welfare Centre on the first Wednesday evening of each month commencing at 6.30 p.m., and on the third Tuesday of each month, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. No appointment is necessary.

Blood Transfusion Donor Sessions at Dartmouth are periodically arranged by the S.W. Blood Transfusion Service.

The Council owns a disinfecter.



S E C T I O N C.

REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

FOR THE YEAR 1970.

To the Worshipful the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors.

Mr Mayor, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to submit my Annual Report for the year 1970 and in doing so wish to thank my colleagues in other Departments for their help and co-operation.

I am,

Your obedient servant,

V. E. HUGHES.

Public Health Inspector.

July, 1971.

## WATER SUPPLY.

### PUBLIC Source of Supply.

Drinking water is supplied by the South West Devon Water Board from their moorland supplies on Dartmoor and the Norton Reservoir at Dartmouth.

### South West Devon Water Board.

With the exception of a few private supplies mentioned below the Board supplies water to the whole of the Town. The Board regularly takes samples of water for bacteriological examination.

We appreciate very much the way the Board have co-operated during the year and their prompt response to calls made upon them when urgent repairs have been required to water mains. The water supplied to the Borough is not plumbo-solvent.

### PRIVATE Sources of Supply.

At the beginning of the year there were 17 properties on private supplies, either from wells or springs. 4 have been connected to the mains supply during the year.

A total of 17 water samples was taken from private supplies and 8 samples showed evidence of bacteriological contamination in varying degrees. Consumers were advised to boil the water for human consumption when contamination was confirmed.

Numerous water samples were taken from the three swimming pools in the Town. Slight contamination was found on three occasions during the hot weather and it was necessary to increase the chlorine dosage to obtain a satisfactory sample.

## SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

There are 9 main sewer outfalls belonging to the Council and these discharge into the tidal waters of the Estuary of the River Dart.

Pollution of the River Dart continued to give concern during the year. The main trouble was due to the broken sewer outfalls and the discharge of others too near the Embankment. Contamination of the shore and public steps was particularly bad at low water.

## REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL.

Tipping was continued at Molescombe, some thirteen miles distant in the Kingsbridge R.D.C. area. The cost of controlling the tip is shared with Kingsbridge Urban and Rural Districts and Salcombe U.D.C. Household refuse continues to be collected weekly.

Trade refuse is collected twice weekly, free of charge. Any special collections are charged for at the rate of one shilling per bin; this applied particularly to some food premises in the summer months where twice weekly collection was found to be insufficient.

Each year the weekly total of refuse increases with the increased number of houses and business premises, and influx of summer visitors. The time is not far distant when space for crude tipping will be exhausted and an alternative will have to be found. The cost of disposal increases yearly largely on account of the long haulage to the tipping site.

## PUBLIC HEALTH.

### Disinfection and Disinfestation.

Use of the steam disinfecter was discontinued with steam but was kept as a standby for dry disinfection.

Two houses were treated for vermin, and notice was given to clear accumulations of refuse at 4 premises.

### Caravan sites.

The one caravan site in the Borough has largely been converted to a chalet site. However, on the remaining piece of ground a temporary caravan site was licensed to permit a maximum of fifteen caravans during the summer months.

The annual survey of the whole site, made in August, revealed that there were one hundred and eighty-seven chalets occupied by people on holiday and the caravan site was fully occupied by fifteen touring caravans. There were also discovered two other residential caravans which were not licensed. The swimming pool was well patronised, and, except for one occasion, samples of water from it were satisfactory. Only one complaint was received affecting this Department and this was due to an invasion of spiders in one of the chalets.

### Roadside Camping.

There were no cases of roadside camping found during the year, but on several occasions occupied dormobile type vans were found parked overnight on car parks. There appears to be a shortage of suitable licensed sites in the area and efforts were made by the Council to establish a site but without success.



Public Health Act, 1936. Sec.60.

So far as could be ascertained there were approximately 24 properties to be dealt with in respect of means of escape in case of fire. Up to the end of the year 9 had been surveyed jointly with Fire Service Officers. It was policy to deal with the most urgent cases first. Recommendations made by the Fire Officer were made known to owners of properties concerned and a good start has been made by the majority to implement the recommendations.

Holiday Cottages.

The holiday cottages at Compass Cove were all inspected prior to the opening of the season and were found very satisfactory.

Every year more town houses are converted for holiday use only and rented as furnished accommodation at very enhanced rents.

Common Lodging Houses.

There are no registered common lodging houses in the Borough.

HOUSING.

Inspections.

A total of 165 properties in the Borough were visited under the Public Health and Housing Acts during 1970. They were dealt with on 523 occasions principally by inspection or reinspection where notices were served for the remedy of defects or where defects were suspected or complained of.

243 complaints were received and dealt with during the year. The following list gives a summary of repair work completed and inspected:-

Roofs ...	...	...	...	...	10
External walls	...	...	...	...	14
Internal plastering...	...	...	...	...	11
Ceilings	...	...	...	...	6
Floors ...	...	...	...	...	5
Windows...	...	...	...	...	12
Fireplaces	...	...	...	...	1

### Drainage.

Inspections made	...	...	...	...	...	...	75
Tests carried out	...	...	...	...	...	...	16
Drains repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	47
Rainwater pipes and gutters	...	...	...	...	...	...	15
New drains laid (excluding new properties)	...	...	...	...	...	...	24
Inspection chambers built or repaired...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23
Number of Informal Notices served and completed	...	...	...	...	...	...	112
Number of Statutory Notices served and completed	...	...	...	...	...	...	2

### Overcrowding.

Three cases of suspected overcrowding were investigated during the year, one of which was confirmed. The affected family was rehoused by the Council.

### Substandard Housing.

2 houses were demolished and rebuilt. One was closed for human habitation by a Closing Order. One house, which was previously closed, was made fit and the Order was determined.

### Rent Act, 1957.

No applications for Certificates of Disrepair were received during the year.

### Improvement Grants.

53 properties were inspected in connection with applications for improvement; 9 were not eligible or were refused. 14 were completed and grants paid in connection therewith amounted to £3,684-24. 2 applications for the compulsory improvement of houses were made by tenants.

### Council Houses.

53 applicants for Council houses were visited in connection with their existing accommodation, and their need for rehousing. Reports on each were sent to the Housing Officer, and repairs necessary were brought to the notice of the landlord.

67 visits were made to Council houses; the majority were very well maintained by the tenants. Defects, where found, were referred to The Borough Engineer for remedial action.



## FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955.

### MILK AND DAIRIES.

#### Milk Supply.

There are 4 registered dairies in the Town. There are also 7 retail shops licensed to sell bottled milk. One farm is registered for the sale of Tuberculin Tested farm bottled milk. The remaining farmers despatch all milk produced to a central pasteurising plant. All the milk supplied to schools was pasteurised. Samples of school milk, when tested, gave satisfactory results.

#### Milk Samples.

15 samples of milk were sent to the laboratory for the methylene blue and brucellosis tests. All the samples passed the tests.

2 samples of cream were taken. One of which failed the methylene blue test. It was referred to the Local Authority for the district at which it was produced for investigation.

#### Food Premises.

During the year over 675 visits were made to the Market and 128 Food premises in the Town. Details are as follows:-

<u>Number and Type of Food Premises</u>	<u>Visits.</u>
Market and Stalls (10 Stallholders)	48
20 Cafes and Restaurants, Canteens	154
18 Bakehouses and Confectioners	65
25 Hotels and Licensed Premises	117
27 Ice Cream Premises	49
6 Wet and Fried Fish Shops	13
8 Butchers	49
17 Fruit and Grocery	148
4 Dairies	32

One hotel and 1 general store closed during the year.

Faults found on periodic visits and infringements remedied are listed as follows:-

The renewal of a defective sink.  
The provision of toilet and washing facilities.  
A verbal warning re smoking  
The provision of a double seal cover to the drainage system.  
The repair of a floor.

#### Ice cream.

There are 27 premises registered to sell ice cream. Two of these are registered for manufacture.

Thirty three samples of ice cream were taken for bacterial examination. 9 of the samples were placed in Grade I (satisfactory), 8 in Grade II (fair), 9 in Grade III (Unsatisfactory), and 1 in Grade IV (very bad). 6 were spoilt by the Laboratory. The very bad one was found to be due to the unsatisfactory sterilisation of servers. The unsatisfactory samples were investigated at the place of manufacture.

#### Unsound Food.

Food inspected and surrendered by retailers as being unfit for human consumption, is listed below:-

<u>Canned Food</u>	<u>lb.</u>	<u>Canned Food</u>	<u>lb.</u>	<u>Canned Food</u>	<u>lb.</u>
Beef	13	Peaches	49	Milk	39
Ham	200	Pears	14	Rice	7
Corned Beef	26	Grapefruit	13	Peas	32
Tongue	40	Pineapple	21	Carrots	5
Spaghetti	2	Apricots	8	Beans	10
Soup	7	Plums	12	Miscellaneous	50
Tomatoes	20	Fruit Salad	10		
Potatoes	6	Fruit Juice	14		

#### Food Samples.

The following is a summary of the samples taken in Dartmouth during 1970 for analysis:-

5 samples of milk, all of which were completely satisfactory.  
17 samples of foodstuffs, other than milk, were submitted to the Public Analyst, all of which were found to be genuine.

The manufacturer of a pie containing a piece of metal was fined £30.

The manufacturer of a pasty containing mould was cautioned.

The manufacturers of herrings in wine sauce were informed that the sample contained excess tin.

PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949.

Rodent Control.

The Operator works half-time on Rodent Control and half-time on general duties. This arrangement was adequate to control infestation. The table below summarises the action taken during the year.

<u>Properties other than Sewers.</u>	<u>Type of Property</u>	
	<u>Non-</u>	<u>Agricultural Agricultural</u>
1. Number of Properties in District	3057	16
2.(a) Total number of properties (including nearby premises) inspected following notification	101	1
(b) Number infested by		
(i) Rats	89	1
(ii) Mice	27	-
3.(a) Total number of properties inspected for rats and/or mice for reasons other than notification	79	4
(b) Number infested by		
(i) Rats	0	0
(ii) Mice	0	0

Sewers infested by rats during the year - Nil.

The disused refuse tip was adequately earthed over and no rat infestation was found.

Farms.

Thirty eight visits were made to farms in connection with rodent control, milk supplies, private water supplies or The Agriculture (Safety, Health and Welfare Provisions) Act, 1956. Very little rat infestation was found and was soon dealt with.



OFFICES SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963.

There was one accident reported during the year, which was of a minor nature. One notice was issued for infringement of the Act. This was for the provision of adequate ventilation. There were 4 new registrations during the year.

A summary of the annual return for the year 31st December, 1970, is as follows:-

Table A.  
Registration and General Inspections.

<u>Class of Premises.</u>	<u>New</u> <u>Regist-</u> <u>rations</u> <u>during 1970</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>Regist-</u> <u>rations</u> <u>to date</u>	<u>No. of</u> <u>Registered</u> <u>premises</u> <u>inspected</u>
Offices	1	35	21
Retail shops	3	78	48
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	0	0	0
Catering Establishments open to the public, canteens.	0	26	15
Fuel Storage Depots	0	1	1
Totals	4	140	85

Table B.  
Number of visits of all kinds by Inspectors to Registered premises:-

129

Table C.  
Analysis of persons employed in Registered premises by work place.

<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
153	305	458

<u>Class of work place.</u>	<u>No of persons employed.</u>
Offices	83
Retail shops	203
Wholesale shops, Warehouses	0
Catering establishments open to the public	160
Canteens	0
Fuel Storage depots	12

Table D.  
Exemptions.

Part I - Space (Section 5(2))	.. .. Nil.
Part II - Temperature (Section 6)	.. .. Nil.
Part III - Sanitary conveniences (Section 9)	.. Nil.
Part IV - Washing Facilities (Section 10)	.. Nil.

Table E.  
Prosecutions.

Nil.

Table F.  
Inspectors.

No. of Inspectors appointed under Section 52 (1) or (5) of the Act	.. 1
No. of other staff employed for most of their time on work in connection with the Act	.. Nil.

RAG FLOCK AND OTHER FILLING MATERIALS ACT, 1951.

There is only one registered user of Rag Flock. Supplies are obtained from Licensed premises outside the Borough. No samples were taken during the year.



### SHOPS ACT, 1950.

Periodic inspections under the Act were carried out and no notices were issued. Under the provisions of Section 40, suspension of the weekly half-day closing was sanctioned during the summer months.

### PETROLEUM AND EXPLOSIVES ACTS.

Number of Licences granted to store Petroleum .. .. 7

Number of Licences granted to store Mixed Explosives .. 8

All premises were inspected prior to the issue of licences. 40 visits were made to petroleum installations and 14 to premises storing explosives.

Certificates ensuring the safety of electrical equipment and wiring were required of all petrol stations before a licence renewal was issued.

### GAME ACT, 1831.

Four persons were licensed to deal in game.

### DISEASES OF ANIMALS ACT, 1950.

#### THE DISEASES OF ANIMALS (WASTE FOODS) ORDER, 1957.

The Order makes it compulsory to boil all swill before it is fed to pigs. Premises so used are licensed by the County Council who delegate powers of inspection to the Local Authority. Only one was in use during the year.

### LAND CHARGES ACT, 1925.

During the year a total of 195 land charge enquiries were dealt with in the Public Health Department. This figure gives some indication of the number of properties changing hands. Unfortunately many of the houses so doing are lost to the resident population because they are converted for holiday use only, either as retreats or for summer lettings. It is an indication too of the increase in two-house families, which is more apparent in a holiday and retirement area such as Dartmouth. Most of the houses are sold at very enhanced prices which put them beyond the reach of most people on the housing waiting list, or of young married couples. It is found therefore that the stock of private houses to let falls each year thus creating a continuing demand for Council houses.

SECTION D.

FACTORIES ACT, 1961.

The following is a summary of information required in respect of the year 1970.

Part I of the Act.

1. Inspections for purposes of Provisions as to health.

(i) Factories without Mechanical Power:  
(Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6)

Number on Register	..	..	..	..	..	5
Inspections	..	..	..	..	..	4
Written Notices	..	..	..	..	..	1
Occupiers prosecuted	..	..	..	..	..	0

(ii) Factories with Mechanical Power:

(Section 7)

Number on Register	..	..	..	..	..	28
Inspections	..	..	..	..	..	68
Written Notices	..	..	..	..	..	0
Occupiers prosecuted	..	..	..	..	..	0

(iii) Other Premises under the Act:  
(Section 7)

(Electric Stations, Institutions, Sites of Building Operations, Works of Engineering Construction, but excluding Outworker's Premises).

Number on Register	..	..	..	..	..	0
Inspections	..	..	..	..	..	0
Written Notices	..	..	..	..	..	0
Occupiers prosecuted	..	..	..	..	..	0

<u>Defect</u>	<u>Found</u>	<u>Remedied</u>	<u>Defects referred</u>	
			<u>to H.M.</u>	<u>by H.M.</u>
			<u>Inspector</u>	<u>Inspector</u>
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	0	0	0	0
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	0	0	0	0
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)				
(a) Insufficient	0	0	0	0
(b) Unsuitable or Defective	0	0	0	1
(c) Not separate for sexes	0	0	0	0

Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted: Nil.

Part VIII of the Act.

Outwork.

(Sections 133 and 134)

	<u>Section 133</u>			<u>Section 134</u>	
Nature of work	No. of out-workers in August list required by Section 133 (1) (c)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council (3)	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists (4)	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises (5)	Notices served (6)
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Wearing) making apparel) etc.	0	0	0	0	0

(7) There were no prosecutions.



